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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: VALVE-ACTUATING DEVICES FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES
HAVING CHANGEABLE STROKE FUNCTIONS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Eighteen (18) pages
- Two (2) sheet(s) formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a) based on Application No(s). 103 11 069.0 filed in Germany on March 13, 2003.
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- Executed Declaration (Original Photocopy)
- An assignment of the invention
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Preliminary Amendment
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other:
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
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